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INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 22, 2004 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/002977 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 21, 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION Method and Apparatus for Wetting a Substrate with a Fluid APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US
HARTWICH, Gerhard; FRISCHMANN, Peter; WIEDER, Herbert; KRATZMÜLLER, Thomas; PERSIKE, Norbert Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 4 A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6 X An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. X An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. A substitute specification. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. L

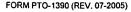
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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 212/786US PCT/EP2004/002977 unassid 20. Other items or information: The application is assigned to: FRIZ Biochem Gesellschaft für Bioanalytik mbH Express Mail EV 656493815 US The following fees have been submitted **CALCULATIONS** PTO USE ONLY \$ 21. X 300 Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) 200 If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared All other situations.....\$200 23. 🗶 Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by 400 Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$100 International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB......\$400 All other situations... 900 TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. **Total Sheets** Extra Sheets Number of each additional 50 or fraction RATE thereof (round up to a whole number) 0 - 100 = /50 = x \$250 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration 0 after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)). CLAIMS NUMBER FILED **NUMBER EXTRA** RATE \$ \$ 0 Total claims - 20 = x \$ 50 20 0 0 Independent claims - 3 = x \$200 \$ 0 0 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) \$ 900 **TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =** \$ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2. 450 450 Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest 0 claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)). 450 TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied \$ 40 by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = 490 Amount to be \$ refunded: Amount to be \$ charged



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